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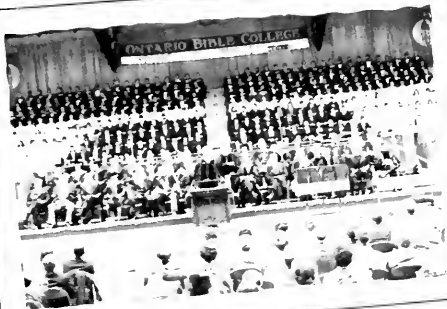
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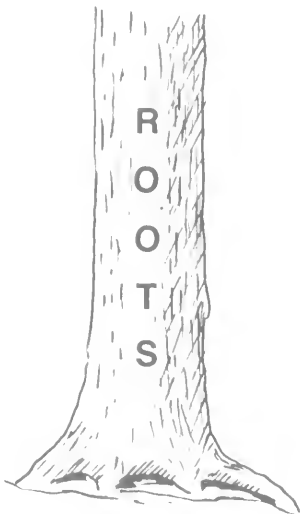
MUSIC



IN
OUR
LIFE...



COURTESY, CULTURE and CHRISTIAN COMMITMENT



The book and the television series of one man's search for his earthly roots have been phenomenally successful. It seems to speak of modern man's loss of identity and a deep desire to find it again.

Alex Haley started something, and now people are running up their family trees. Ethnic origins, family trees and genealogical tables are being carefully researched to find out Who? Where?

What are your spiritual roots? Paul wrote about his in these words: "If any man have whereof to boast, I more," and he listed his family tree. But he dismissed it all by adding that he counted it all but loss "that I might win Christ."

Perhaps it is not so important to have a record of physical roots after all. What really counts are present branches, leaves and fruit.

Jesus said, "I am the Vine, ye are the branches." And then He talked about fruit from that great Root connection.

What roots count most with you? Ethnic? Family? Or Christ Himself? It is only this Family Tree of which He is the Root, that will not decay into dust and fade away.

"Jesus Christ was a true gentleman, a perfect gentleman." Somewhere these words were read, and hooked in to the memory. His unfailing courtesy, His love, sympathy and empathy are all evident in the record of His life.

Even Peter, an unlikely candidate for a "Gentleman's Award" had a change of heart, life and character to such a degree that he could say in his beautiful first letter sent to the church in Asia Minor, "Be ye all of one mind, having compassion one of another, love as brethren, BE COURTEOUS" (1 Peter 3:8).

There is a new quality of life that should be evident in behaviour, attitude, speech, appearance. Read 1 Peter 2:12; 3:3-7; 5:5; II Peter 1:2-9.

Imagine bumptious Peter writing like this! He remembered that although Christ was equal to the Father in all authority, position and Godhood, He so submitted Himself to the will and purpose of God that He showed the highest attributes of manhood (or should that be personhood to include womanhood?) for the world to see and His followers to use as an example.

Even our western culture calls for courtesies that are lacking. Our Christian commitment demands that we let the mind of Christ dwell in us.

Dr. Gene Getz says, "only crisis will change us," as he warns against an intermingling of culture and principle. The "lens" of scripture helps the believer to evaluate change, he noted. It also "provides opportunities for refreshing innovations in church (and personal) life."

The Christian should be the pace setter in courtesy and culture if an impact is to be made for God. This urges the Christian away from bad habits of speech, behaviour towards others (how do you treat a waitress, a clerk or a pushy subway rider?).

What about saying "grace" or giving thanks for food? Is there shame or fear attached? And when should we do it? As someone pertly asked: "How much prayer should a hamburger get?" Perhaps that should be rephrased to: "How thankful are we even for small mercies?"

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Our culture calls for courtesy towards women and one another. Opening doors, giving up seats, removing hats, saying 'thank you' and generally indicating there is something "different" in the life, habits and speech of the Christian. "Being" a witness is as important as "bearing" a witness.

We are not called upon to "do our own thing" which is the world's philosophy for today. We are called upon to do His thing according to John 15:16.

Courtesy within our culture and Christian commitment is a viable life-style for today. It is also a vital principle of scripture to save a brother from stumbling; to be a savour of life unto life; and to honour each other, particularly "the weaker vessel."

Let our lives be ordered by scripture and directed by the Holy Spirit, not by a base, fallen, human nature.

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MUSIC IN YOUR LIFE

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Though it may seem obvious to say so, God made music a wonderfully *rich* gift for mankind. While we each have our own likes and dislikes about compositions or performers, or appreciate certain styles more than others, we must remember that music means many different things to many different people—even simultaneously! The beat of “O Happy Day” may produce toe-tapping in one person, but enrich a worship service for another. You may experience Muzak as just another sound in the background, but another person may be driven by this music to work harder or buy more. Rock music may have been the true battle-song of the counter-culture, but it may also be just another consumer product for the establishment. Nevertheless, it is all music—so diverse and so complex!

From time to time during your musical experiences, ask yourself: how do I relate to music? Why do I like a particular song or a certain group of performers? Your answers may help you to understand the artistic value of music, and may deepen your own appreciation of the complex ways music affects your life. Take a brief look in the musical mirrors below, and see if you can find yourself.

Performer

A performer is a music-maker, physically involved in the production of the tones, rhythms and textures of a musical composition. Through technical skill and artful interpretation a performer communicates with an audience. If the performer is part of a group, he'll develop an intimate performing relationship with his colleagues. Generally, a performer reads music from a score and is able to do some improvising.

Attentive Listener

The attentive listener is musically inclined, and may even be an amateur performer. This person has carefully listened to a great variety of styles and has developed an appreciation for the structural elements of music (tones, rhythms, harmonies, etc.). Since the



Mr. B. Polman, M.A.

attentive listener has trained his hearing, he considers a score or jacket notes only as extra information. This listener will appreciate a well-performed composition, and will likely have some musical sense or intuition.

Fan (abbreviation for 'fanatic'!)

A musical fan has a great love for a particular style or a specific performer or group. This person will know everything about his favorite performer(s): all the songs, all the news (or gossip), and all the secrets printed only in the fan magazines. He is willing to pay outrageous prices for a seat at his star's concert in a neighboring city, and might even wear t-shirts imprinted with the name or photo of his idol. A fan will defend the greatness of his chosen star at all costs, and often ignores or unfairly criticizes all other performers and styles.

Composer

A composer is the craftsman who creates a musical composition. He takes musical ideas and crafts them into a piece of art which, when performed, will communicate musical meaning to an audience. A composer may express his deep personal feelings or present complex cultural issues in his compositions. A composer expects a performer to interpret his piece so that an audience may appreciate what the composer wanted to convey.

Consumer

A musical consumer is one who listens to a lot of music without giving

much thought to what he hears. This person may be seen walking around with a transistor radio or cassette recorder perpetually turned on. People who regularly attend concerts for social or economic reasons (and not for musical ones) may also fit this type. The musical consumer knows some details about a few styles, and may even read a “consumer's guide” such as *Musical America* or *Rolling Stone* magazine.

Critic

A music critic verbally explains what music communicates and makes quality judgments about musical compositions and performances. He understands the craft of composition, the skill of performing, and the art of listening. A music critic can tell us not only which particular composition or performer is significant or popular, but also *why* that is so. He must be in tune with the cultural context of many different musical styles.

If you are like most other people who experience music in their lives, you've probably found yourself in one or several of these mirrors above. OBC/OTS have their share of each type too, just as much as any other grouping within the Christian community. And each of the types above is also found in the area of church music. We take it as our duty to train good performers, composers, critics and attentive listeners, and to gradually diminish the ranks of the idol-worshipping fans and the mindless consumers. Such work is a great joy too, for in the process we appreciate more fully how *rich* is God's gift of music to us and how thankful we should be to Him. All the more reason to “sing a new song unto the Lord!”

DO YOU KNOW GOOD MUSIC?

“All music is good except the boring kind. There's really no borderline in music. I've never objected to young people listening to rock and roll—if they have any intelligence they eventually go on to other (good) music.” — Arthur Fiedler, quoted in the *Toronto Star*.

Let's keep our Christian, Gospel music on a high level of spirituality and musical value.

MUSIC TO FORGET

Much music (so-called) in the secular field should never be so designated. But when it is, and then played with meaningless words and high-decibel sounds, it should be quickly forgotten, if not turned off. In the history of "Ontario's Family Station, CFRB," titled "Sinc, Betty and the Morning Man" is this perceptive comment:

"The fact that R.B. gives its middle-of-the-road audience exactly what it wants does not modify the situation that the station is in the vanguard of a mass culture movement that has desensitized the public ear with music that is designed to be instantly forgotten."

There is much so-called Christian music (it cannot in good faith be called 'sacred') that should go the same way. Why noise, jungle rhythms and poor lyrics become "Christian" music by the addition of the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, God or Heaven, is a mystery.

We are supposed to "sing with grace" (Col. 3:16). Paul also said, "I will sing with the spirit and I will sing with the understanding also" (1 Cor. 14:15). Now that would be music we won't forget. And it would glorify God.

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BILLY GRAHAM COMING TO TORONTO

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A LEGACY FROM LINDBERGH

It was May 20, 1927, just 50 years ago, when a small, single engine, silver airplane waddled down a wet clay runway and flew into history.

For the next 33 hours, and covering over 3500 miles a man dared to attempt to still the unknown in a feat which still thrills the readers of the Lindbergh Legend.

Through tedium and terror, without proper navigational aids or the technological helps of modern aviation, the man the world called the Lone Eagle found his way across an ocean and literally opened the skies for the marvel and convenience of modern air travel.

Lindbergh's personal life was a kaleidoscope of daring and courage; of misunderstanding and controversy; of bitterness and error; of tragedy and loss (when his son was kidnapped and murdered).

But the "Spirit of St. Louis" and the marvel of his lonely feat is being acknowledged in this commemorative year, three years after his death.

His was the test of the human spirit, the tocsin call to a jaded, effete society, the challenge to reach out beyond one's grasp and to dare to do.

The Christian still has a world to conquer. A world challenge that calls for adventure, for single-minded purpose, for daring to lay all at the feet of the Lord Jesus and to go out "conquering, and to conquer" in His wonderful Name.

If the world can call for and claim such devotion and single-minded purpose as was given by Lindbergh 50 years ago, how much more should the Lord Jesus Christ deserve all that we are and all that we have that "the earth may hear His voice."

LEAVE IT ALONE? WHAT DO YOU THINK?

U.S. Dept., HEW, says, "Alcohol is now the nation's No. 1 drug problem. Its use is becoming ever more prevalent among business people, workers, professionals, housewives, and even our very young."

American Council on Alcohol Problems says, "One-third of our high-school students get drunk at least once a month." The Church Around the World publication says, "Twenty-six percent of the 403,000 mental patients in this country are there because of alcoholism. Alcohol is implicated in 64% of murders, 41% of assaults and 34% of forcible rape." ILLCAAP NEWS says, "Studies are indicating more and more that cancer, heart trouble and alcoholism are diseases of choice brought on by drinking, smoking, wrong diet and a lack of exercise."

The BIBLE says, "Who has sorrow? Who has woe? Who has strife? Who has complaints? Who feels hurt without cause? Who has bloodshot eyes? They who tarry long over wine, they who go to sample mixed wine . . . In the end it bites like a serpent and stings like an adder. Your eyes will see strange things, and your mind will utter upside-down things; yes, you will be as one who lies down in the heart of the sea, or as one who lies down upon the top of the mast. 'They struck me; I did not feel it! They beat me; I did not know it' " (Proverbs 23:29-35).

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COMPETENT AND COMPASSIONATE

by R. C. Duez
Academic Dean

Human beings frequently separate the inseparable, and Christians are not exempt from this tendency. In contemporary Christian ethical theories, love is exalted to the exclusion of law. This is an artificial and dangerous division. Love without the directive of law degenerates into license. And vice versa, law without the motivation of love becomes legalism. A similar faulty separation is common between faith and works. Anyone who has taken seriously the New Testament, and especially the writings of Paul, recognizes the doctrine of salvation by grace alone through faith. To root salvation in works divorced from faith, therefore, is heresy. But the attempt to magnify faith without works is hypocrisy. Numerous other examples of this inclination to "divide asunder" what God has joined together could be cited. But in this article we will focus on the false dichotomy between the mind and the heart—between intellectual and spirituality.

Many Christians within the evangelical tradition assume that mental acumen and spiritual zeal cannot co-exist within the same person. If one is an intellectual giant, it is expected he will be a spiritual pygmy. Likewise, if one has spiritual "fire" in his soul, then it is usually conceded that he is not a profound intellect. In other words, he is simple. Although we may be acquainted with individuals who are living proof of this description, we must ask "Ought this to be?". Should there be any separation between intellectual perception and spiritual commitment? Ontario Bible College is soundly committed to the task of presenting "Every man complete in Christ" (Col. 1:28). Maturity in Christ embraces all that man is—the total man. For us, completeness encompasses both academic excellence and spiritual fervor.

Academic Excellence

An education of higher learning would betray its very existence if it did not strive for academic competence within its ranks. Therefore we strive



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diligently to cultivate the minds of our students. With all the educational tools and abilities within our staff, we seek to stimulate those in our classes to be perceptive about life, to develop their logical powers, to be workmen with the keenness of mind to rightly divide God's Word. Our striving for academic excellence has a double motivation, which supersedes our concern for accreditation and reputation.

1. The Command of God upon us.

The Scriptures make academic excellence for a Christian institution or local church, not an option, but a command. Recognizing that man is in the image of God, we operate with a view of man that presupposes there are powers and capabilities within man like those possessed by God Himself. Among these resident potentialities in man is the human mind. In some cases it represents a totally untapped resource. But God has endowed man with the capacity to reflect, observe, investigate, interpret and formulate ideas about the world and about life. The image of God in man leaves us no alternative but to train our minds to their maximum in order to think God's thoughts after Him.

The imperative of Scripture is more potent than mere inferences drawn from man's creation in God's image, however. When Jesus summarized the responsibilities of the creature toward God, He commanded us to love God (Matt. 22:37). Drawing upon Deuteronomy 6:5, Jesus outlines the dimensions of that love. We are to love God with all our heart and with all

our soul. But He also adds, "with all our mind". How do we love God with all our mind? Surely obedience to this command requires at least the training and development of our intellectual powers to their fullest potential. Only through demanding discipline can every thought be brought into captivity to Christ. Whatever powers the Creator has given, they are gifts to be harnessed for His glory. Every mental capability we possess—memory, judgment, imagination, insight, logic—when directed to God, can be used by Him.

2. The challenge of the world before us.

It is a truism to assert that we live in a highly educated world. The knowledge explosion of the twentieth century has produced a "questioning" generation. Every age has demanded a virile apologetic for the Christian faith, but perhaps no previous age has placed this challenge before the church so strongly as has our own. Languishing in a German concentration camp, Dietrich Bonhoeffer expressed the problem quite well: "The church must get out of her stagnation. We must move out again into the open air of intellectual discussion with the world." If our concern is to declare the reality of God revealed in Jesus Christ, then a reflective interpretation of divine truth and world conditions which will be intellectually adequate for this present generation is inescapable.

Peter's words to a primitive Christian community are still relevant in our contemporary situation. "Always be ready to make a defense to every one who asks you to give an account for the hope that is in you" (1 Peter 3:15). A continuous obligation rests upon us to defend our confidence in Christ. The defense required is a reasoned argument. While an emotional appeal may have some persuasive power, Peter summons us to a rational demonstration of our hope.

Our obligation, as Peter defines it, can never be satisfactorily fulfilled spontaneously. Jesus promised "special wisdom" to His followers under pressing conditions (Matt. 10:18-20), but this is not the normal pattern. An adequate defense of the faith presupposes a molding of the mind. When Jesus encountered the enemy in the wilderness, His mind had been conditioned in advance to respond and in-

teract in the light of revealed truth.

In our day we hear people talk about the "modern mind" and the "scientific mind". Should we not posit the concept of a "Christian mind". Such a mind would function within an intellectual frame of reference informed by the Scriptures, and would bring the Biblical perspective to bear upon current problems. The clear command to love God with our mind coupled with the injunction of Peter for a reasoned defense, forces upon us this responsibility. It is imperative that Christian leaders strive for academic excellence and encourage their followers toward the same ideal.

Spiritual Fervor

A secular institution focuses primarily upon the mental development of its trainees. Our concern with the total person, however, necessitates a broader perspective. While the church of Jesus Christ stands in need of leaders with intellectual prowess, she needs more than "pure minds".

In II Corinthians 11:2 the apostle Paul lays bare his heart concern for the Corinthian church. He refers to a godly jealousy for them as part of the bride of Christ. A jealousy for the spiritual well-being of others was surely an outgrowth of Paul's jealousy for his own relationship with God. While we seek to hone the minds of our students to be good apologues for the faith, we also desire to send forth young men and women marked by holy jealousy in respect to their walk with God and the prosperity of God's Church.

Our desire is that our students might be marked by the spiritual zeal which characterized the Lord Jesus Christ. He was the "God-centered" man in the sense that His life was singularly surrendered to the will of God. Fulfilling the will of God was more essential for Jesus than meeting the needs of His physical body. We long to see the graduates of OBC/OTS so emulating the Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus was also the "Man for others". Throughout His ministry He was constantly reaching out to others in need. He was often moved with compassion for His fellow man. In past decades OBC graduates have distinguished themselves by their missionary activities and evangelistic concerns. The church and the world still stand in desperate need of people of



Mike Parenteau spruces Neale Unruh up for their big night. Jim Amy looks on.

this caliber. Our commitment is to instill in our students those qualities and attitudes which will encourage and foster zeal for the gospel and the cause of Christ. Any retreat from this position would be a direct violation of the Divine mandate upon us and a betrayal of the human trust placed in us by God's people.

Two inseparable dimensions characterize our institution as we face the future and the task of Christian higher education. We shall endeavor by God's grace to pursue academic excellence wed to spiritual fervor. Our faculty and staff are dedicated to this end. We trust that our graduates will be among those who follow in the steps of the men of Issachar (I Chron. 12:32), being men and women who understand the times and know what God's people ought to do. At the same time we earnestly desire that they might follow in the train of their Master Who "seeing the multitudes, He felt compassion for them, because they were distressed and downcast like sheep without a shepherd" (Matt. 9:36).

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It's wonderful to have a good number of people under the sound of the gospel and Bible teaching.

But bus loads of people, chocolate bars, "there may be \$5.00 under your bus seat," prizes, bribes and all the other footfaraw do not add up to "quality" Sunday School or Church.

The quality is in the pastor, church leaders, teachers, superintendents and to some degree the program. It is an indefinable quality in the lives of a praying, devout, sincere, obedient, committed people. Let the "body of Christ" function in health and zeal and growth will be evident. But not through gimmicks and fleshly effort. Besides, numbers aren't everything, or else some of the cults or world religions are the front runners.



GETTING THE WORD OUT

What an opportunity! 17,000 college and university students gathered for Urbana '76 and 2,400 of them were Canadians. OTS had the opportunity to meet many of these young people through a Seminary display manned by Dr. R. Matheson and Rev. C. Tipp. Most who took literature learned of OTS' programme for the first time.

Others were exposed to the Seminary through the ministry of Dr. Mario Di Gangi, Director of Pastoral Studies at OTS who conducted workshops on Missions to hundreds of students each day.

Other ministries have presented themselves which enables OTS faculty to acquaint students with the Seminary. Dr. Donald Leggett recently conducted a workshop in Montreal in cooperation with Mr. Kent Garrett of Sir Sandford Fleming College under the auspices of Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship. The weekend gave an opportunity to introduce still more students to what is happening on our Toronto Campus.

In another location OTS faculty presented a series of lectures on The Quest for God in Contemporary Society. The lectures were sponsored by the Brockville Christian Laymen's Association and were held on a series of Saturday evenings in a high school auditorium in Brockville, Ontario. The attendance was encouraging and gave opportunity to present the claims of Christianity to many non-Christians.

The results of this varied outreach are seen in the picture below as Seminary personnel process new applications coming in for fall semester.



Dr. Roy Matheson, Dean of O.T.S. talks to an interested student at the Urbana Missionary Conference.

SHELF WEALTH FOR PASTORS

One man's experience with good books

AN HOUR WELL SPENT

by Matthew Francis, M.A., B.Litt.

The train was late, so we missed the connection, and I had an hour to wait in Swansea, South Wales, U.K. Near the station there used to be a second-hand bookshop. Naturally, it was there I browsed, and it was time well spent. I found *The Works of the Rev. John Howe, M.A.*, complete in one volume, published in 1862, priced 5s.

John Howe was born on May 17, 1630, in Loughborough, Leics. His father (also John Howe) a clergyman, having been appointed to the parish by Archbishop Laud, was later evicted by Laud because he had dared to pray publicly that 'God would preserve the prince in true religion, of which there was cause to fear.' Charles I 'required working clergy to encourage among the people the desecration of the Lord's day . . .' The prayer cost John Howe Sr. his living. He was sentenced to be 'imprisoned during His Majesty's pleasure, suspended from every part of his ministry, fined five hundred pounds, required to make a public recantation before the court, and condemned in costs of suit.' Howe escaped to Ireland, taking young John with him. He returned from Ireland during the 1641 Rebellion, and settled in Lancashire, where John must have been rigorously schooled. He entered Christ College, Cambridge, at the age of seventeen, taking his B.A. degree about eighteen months later.

After graduation, John Howe went to Oxford, later becoming a Fellow of Magdalen College, whose President was the great Dr. Thomas Goodwin. Howe was ordained, and became the curate of Great Torrington, Devon. He married a Miss Catherine Hughes, by whom he had five children. It is not known when Mrs. Howe died, but his second wife, Margaret, died in 1743 at the age of nearly ninety.

Circumstances took John Howe in 1656 to London, and, having a 'spare Sunday,' he attended the chapel in Whitehall, where Oliver Cromwell worshipped. Cromwell noted his presence, and invited him to preach the following Lord's Day. This led to

Howe's becoming domestic chaplain to Cromwell, and to his appointment as Lecturer of St. Margaret's, Westminster.

Howe never really settled into court life, and one of his biographers said of him, 'he was not the man to sell the truth'—not even before the Protector Cromwell himself.

Out of Favour

It was a popular belief in Whitehall that whatever they prayed for in faith they received in the way they expected. Howe saw danger in such an idea, and preached in Cromwell's presence a sermon entitled 'A Particular Faith in Prayer,' based on James 5:16. Cromwell was displeased: his attitude toward Howe became cooler. Howe longed all the more for the return to Devon.

When Oliver died and his son Richard succeeded him as Protector, Howe seized the opportunity to return to his people in Great Torrington. He stayed there until August 24, 1662—the day of the 'Great Ejection' of over two thousand clergymen from the Church of England because they refused to sign the Act of Uniformity. They were men of conscience who stood for Biblical freedom and purity. Those who denigrate them today forget the suffering the Puritan clergymen and their people sustained.

But what kind of a man was John Howe? He was a man of personal piety and of utter devotion to his work. He frequently spent seven hours a day in prayer, expounding and preaching. He was a gentle soul. It is significant that one of his first publications following the Great Ejection was *The Blessedness of the Righteous*. He was a doughty Protestant. He was a prolific writer and a systematic preacher. His favourite practice was to preach a series of sermons on a given text. For instance, he preached nineteen sermons on 'The Office and Work of the Holy Spirit' (John 3:6); fourteen sermons on 'Our Hope' (Rom. 8:24); ten on 'Friendship with God' (James 2:23); and his *Principles of the Oracles of God* consisted of sixty-nine lectures.

John Howe was also a man of unusual humility. During his life-time he wrote a personal journal comprising 'papers (which were stitched up in a multitude of small volumes).' These, he requested his son, Dr. George

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Howe, to destroy. Precious historical, biographical, political and polemic material was thus lost to posterity.

Noble Confession

He died on April 2, 1705. The preamble to his last Will and Testament serves as his 'noble confession of faith'—'I John Howe, minister of the Gospel of Christ, in serious consideration (though through God's mercy in present health) of my frail and mortal state, and cheerfully waiting (blessed be God) for a seasonable unfeared dissolution of this my earthly tabernacle, and translation of the inhabiting spirit into the merciful hands of the great God, Creator, Lord of heaven and earth, Whom I have taken to be my God, in and with His only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, Who is also over all, God blessed for ever, and my dear and glorious Redeemer and Lord; with

and by the Holy Spirit of grace, my light, life and joy; relying entirely and alone upon the free and rich mercy of the Father vouchsafed on the account of the most invaluable sacrifice and perfect righteousness of the Son, applied unto me, according to the Gospel-covenant, by the Spirit, for the pardon of the many seriously-repentant sins of a very faulty fruitless life, and the acceptance of my person, with my sincere though weak desires and endeavours to do Him service in this world, especially as my calling, wherewith He graciously honoured me, did more particularly require, in promoting the welfare and salvation of the precious souls of men.'

Truly, a lengthy preamble which needs to be read and re-read to appreciate something of the life, vision and purpose of John Howe, 'Puritan Divine.'

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THE CARE OF THE POOR IN THE OLD TESTAMENT

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The problem of hunger is receiving considerable attention both within the secular media and in Christian circles. Books such as *Lifeboat Ethics: The Moral Dilemmas of World Hunger* are advocating a selective allocation of the limited resources of the world. The church is beginning to see this problem in its true proportion and it too is speaking to this issue. Recent books by S. Mooneyham, *What Do You Say to A Hungry World?*; A. Simon, *Bread for the World*; and R. Sider, *Rich Christians in a Hungry World* are only a few of the many good books available. Anyone seriously interested in grappling with the problem of poverty will find these and others challenging, enlightening and disturbing.

THE PENTATEUCH

The purpose of this article is to survey the Old Testament material to see what priority is given in the Old Testament to caring for the poor. No attempt is being made to deal exhaustively with this subject. Rather, a selection of biblical data will be made from the Mosaic Law, the Prophets, the Psalms, and the book of Proverbs. There may be disagreement over the question of how this material applies to our contemporary situation. For example, what application do we make for widows today, of the biblical laws requiring the brother of the deceased to marry the widow (Deut. 25: 5-10)? However, when we are finished I would hope there would be no doubt that social justice is a major thrust in the Old Testament, that God is intensely interested in the poor and that part of what is meant by being the people of God is to imitate that concern in practical and earthy attempts to alleviate poverty in the world.

The Pentateuchal regulations governing the covenant people of God in their relationships with one another suggest that God seeks service, obedience and witness through His people's economic life. One of the ways in which we see Israel's uniqueness within the ancient world is in its laws



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which join together the worship of God with personal relationships between men. The New Testament, of course, gives us a similar picture. Our Lord has told us, "If therefore you are presenting your offering at the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your offering there before the altar, and go your way; first be reconciled to your brother, and then come and present your offering" (Matt. 5:23, 24).

Within the Pentateuch one can find laws dealing with theft (Ex. 22: 1-15), just measures (Lev. 19:35-37; Deut. 25:13-15), pledges as security for debt (Deut. 24:6, 10-13, 17), landmark laws (Deut. 19:14) and wage fraud (Lev. 19:13; Deut. 24:14, 15). Injustice toward the poor in judicial cases is seen as robbery of the poor (Ex. 23:8; Lev. 19:15; Deut. 16:19, 20). The Old Testament speaks of something which might be called the "law of the bystander". Failure to render aid where it was possible to do so was a serious offence. One of the case laws where this principle is clearly seen is found in Deut. 22:1-4. One can rob another by neglect.

The obligation to render assistance applies to both the neighbour's property as well as his person (Prov. 24:10-12). Biblical law does not allow us to pass the poor by on the other side! Old Testament law speaks often

of the plight of strangers, widows and orphans and warns against taking advantage of their tragic situation. Israel is continually reminded of her own experience of distress in Egypt and of the certainty that God will intervene on behalf of the poor and oppressed (Ex. 22:21-24).

Very interesting in this connection is the so-called curse decalogue of Deut. 27:15-26. (In passing it should be noted that Paul seems to be making mention of the conclusion of this curse decalogue (Deut. 27:26 in Gal. 3:10) when he says, "Cursed is everyone who does not abide by all things written in the book of the law, to perform them.") One of the curses reads, "Cursed is he who distorts the justice due an alien, orphan, and widow" (Deut. 27:19). It is not that the poor are to be judged on a lower standard than others within Israel. Exodus 23:3 warns against being partial to a poor man in his dispute, but balances that with an equal warning not to pervert the justice due to the needy brother in his dispute (Ex. 23:6).

According to Lev. 25:23, the Lord alone was owner of the land. As unique owner of the land He commanded that the tithe of the produce of the land be brought every third year, and this was to be given to the Levite, the alien, the orphan and the widow (Deut. 14:28-29). The produce of the seventh year was to be left so that "the needy of your people may eat" (Ex. 23:11). According to Lev. 25 the land was inalienable and every fifty years reverted to the family which originally owned it.

One of the most interesting laws in the Pentateuch which reflects something of the dignity of the poor person within Israel is Deut. 24:10-11. The creditor may not enter the debtor's house to seize the pledge which was deposited as security for a debt. The poor man's home has a sanctity which cannot be infringed upon, even by his creditor.

The kinsman redeemer institution in the Old Testament had as its function the protection of the weak and unfortunate and underprivileged. The details of how this important family institution functioned we cannot discuss in this limited article. Anyone wishing for more detail should consult my published dissertation, *The Levirate and Kinsman Redeemer Institution in the Old Testament*. We may say as far as the property regulations of Leviticus

25 are concerned "that the significance of these regulations lies in the fact that by blocking speculation in landed property they make it easier for that peasant class which springs from the soil to preserve its independence."

THE PROPHETS

The 8th century prophet Amos is well known for pronouncements in the area of social justice. He fulminates against the cows of Bashan (the opulent women in Israel) who oppress the poor and crush the needy through the pressure they bring upon their husbands for more material comforts (Amos 4:1). The poor are turned aside in the gate (Amos 5:12), the place where judicial verdicts were given. Through unjust economic practices the needy were trampled and the poor of the land turned away while all the while the rich were getting richer by making the bushels smaller and in the process the shekels greater (Amos 8:4-6).

Micah similarly warns against those whose bedtime scheming led them "to covet fields and seize their houses and take them away" (Micah 2:2). Against the judicial leaders he uses phrases like, "who tear off their (the poor) skin", "who eat the flesh of my people" (Micah 3:2, 3). The best commentary on these expressions is Proverbs 30:14, "There is a kind of man whose teeth are like swords and his jaw teeth like knives, to devour the afflicted from the earth and the needy from among men."

Zephaniah calls the unjust judges "wolves that leave nothing for the morning" (Zeph. 3:3).

Isaiah speaks in numerous places of the Lord's concern for the poor. He speaks to the elders and princes of His people:

"It is you who have devoured the vineyard;
The plunder of the poor is in your houses:
What do you mean by crushing My people
And grinding the face of the poor."
(Isaiah 3:14, 15)

He speaks against evil legislation:

"Woe to those who enact evil statutes . . . so as to deprive the needy of justice and rob the poor of My people of their rights in order that widows may be their spoil and that



Dr. M. Di Gangi (right) autographs a copy of his new book "The Spirit of Christ" for O.T.S. student Al McGugin.

they may plunder the orphans." (Isaiah 10:1, 2)

In language reminiscent of Matthew 25:34-40, Isaiah spoke of the fast which God chose:

"Is this not the fast which I chose:
To loosen the bonds of wickedness,
To undo the bands of the yoke,
And to let the oppressed go free

...
Is it not to divide your bread with the hungry,
And bring the homeless poor into the house?
And when you see the naked, to cover him." (Isaiah 58:6, 7)

Ezekiel's definition of righteousness is remarkable. It includes things like restoring to the debtor his pledge, giving bread to the hungry and covering the naked with clothing (Ezekiel 18:7; cf. also Ezekiel 22:7, 12, 29).

Jeremiah says that pleading the cause of the afflicted and needy is what is involved in knowing God (22:16).

The last prophet of the Old Testament, Malachi, is in line with the uniform witness of his predecessors when he writes, "I will draw near to you for judgment; and I will be a swift witness against the sorcerers and the adulterers and those who swear falsely, and those who oppress the wage earner in his wages, the widow and the orphan and those who turn aside the alien and do not fear Me, says the Lord of Hosts" (Mal. 3:5).

It is understandable, in the light of the prophetic mind on matters of social justice, that the Messiah's coming will bring relief for the poor (Isa. 11:4; Ps. 72:12, 13). He cares for them.

PSALMS

The Psalms judge a man's character in part by his attitude and response to the question, "Lord, who may abide in Thy tent, who may dwell in Thy holy hill?" The Psalmist calls attention to the response of the truly Godly to the poor (Ps. 15:5). In Psalm 82 we have a Psalm which is most likely addressed to the powerful rulers accusing them of showing partiality to the wicked. Verses 3 and 4 give the positive command: "Vindicate the weak and fatherless; do justice to the afflicted and destitute. Rescue the weak and needy; deliver them out of the hand of the wicked."

WISDOM LITERATURE

The study of wealth and poverty in Proverbs would be an edifying exercise for anyone seriously interested in the Biblical message. Perhaps no other book in the Bible is filled with so much detailed instruction of a practical nature. Its purpose in Scripture, as rightly stated by Kidner in his Tyndale Commentary on Proverbs, is "to put godliness into working clothes." It tells us that wealth may be either good or bad. Wealth is given by God (I Kings 3:13; Eccl. 5:19; Prov. 10:22, 15:6, 28:25). It comes through wisdom (Prov. 8:18, 22:4), diligence in work (Prov. 10:4) and generosity (Prov. 19:17, 28:27).

Proverbs not only speaks on how wealth may be attained, it also speaks on how wealth is to be spent. Proverbs urges us to share our wealth with the poor. "Happy is he who is gracious to the poor" (Prov. 14:21). "He who oppresses the poor reproaches his Maker, But he who is gracious to the needy honours Him (14:31). "He who mocks the poor reproaches his Maker" (Prov. 17:5). The poor have God on their side. "Do not move the ancient boundary, or go into the fields of the fatherless, For their Redeemer is strong; He will plead their case against you" (Prov. 23:10, 11). The godly within Israel are urged not to shut their ears to the cry of the poor for "he who shuts his ear to the cry of the poor will also cry himself and not be answered" (Prov. 21:13; cf. Micah 3:3, 4). Rather, he who gives to the poor will never want, though he who shuts his eyes will have many curses (Prov. 28:27). Generosity to the poor is urged

repeatedly (Prov. 11:24, 21:26b, 22:9) and giving to the poor is viewed as lending to the Lord and a deed worthy of being repaid by the Lord (Prov. 19:17).

THE NEW TESTAMENT

The Old Testament data that has been mentioned is merely a portion of what could be called an avalanche of teaching on the social aspect of the covenant. In the light of all the Old Testament data on this subject, our Lord's words in Matthew 25:34-40 become understandable. What is not as easily understood is why as evangelicals we have not given this aspect of Biblical truth its proper emphasis. Perhaps we are more selective in our use of Scripture than we would like to admit.

One thing is certain. To be the people of God in the old and new covenant, it is necessary to identify with God's concern for the poor. To reject the poor is to reject God. We must do more than give lip service to the poor for that is to identify ourselves as hypocrites. "But whoever has the world's goods, and beholds his brother in need and closes his heart against him, how does the love of God abide in him?" (1 John 3:17). The easiest way not to do anything is not to become conscious of the true proportions of the problem—not to "behold" the brother in need. We must not shut our ears to the cry of the poor simply by being unacquainted with the inequities of life. We must not mock the poor by the pittance we throw in their direction. We must become less materialistic and exorcise the demon of mammon in our lives. We must really believe that all our wealth is the Lord's to be used in the cause of His kingdom, and that a significant part of that cause are the poor and destitute of the world. If we believe this, then Sider is right when he concludes, "Somehow we must discover new ways to help each other in the body of Christ adopt a lifestyle which is totally and unconditionally surrendered to the Lord of the poor."



Dr. R. Matheson conducts an O.T.S. Seminar.

DAVID MAINS TO SPEAK IN CONFERENCE ON "THE CITY"

OBC and OTS will host a special one-day conference on November 17, 1977 which will focus on evangelical strategy in urban centres. David Mains, former pastor of Circle Church, Chicago, and author of the book, *Full Circle*, will be the key speaker. Other Christian workers involved in urban ministries will be utilized and related workshops will be held. The conference is open to the Christian public. The need for Biblical strategy to reach the city, as well as principles of evangelical cooperation, will be the major emphases. David Mains is presently serving as radio pastor of The Chapel of the Air, a radio ministry heard on a number of outlets in North America.



Dr. R. R. Matheson, O.T.S. Dean, consults with Registrar Rev. G. W. Dorey (seated).

DR. D. A. LEGGETT TEACHES AT SUMMER SCHOOL OF BIBLICAL STUDIES

The Summer School of Biblical Studies, Continuing Education Division, of Sir Sandford Fleming College, Lindsay, Ont. this summer will have Dr. Leggett on the faculty.

Prof. Leggett will join with a group of evangelical teachers. His subject will be "The Poetry and Wisdom Literature of the Old Testament."

Anyone interested in this Summer School of Biblical Studies (July 11-29, 1977) should write for a brochure:

Summer School of Biblical Studies
Sir Sandford Fleming College
P.O. Box 8000
Lindsay, Ont. K9V 4S6



Prof. M. Di Gangi (also Canadian Director of B.M.M.F.) does a little propaganda work with Rev. Alex McCombie '52 after an O.T.S. Chapel where Alex spoke.

1979—YEAR OF THE BIBLE

It is good to be prepared. So here is advance word supplied by the Evangelical Curriculum Commission (ECC) to encourage the Christian Community to have a "YEAR OF THE BIBLE" during the last year of this decade, 1979.

Plans are afoot to reserve September 1978 through August 1979. Plans and suggestions are as follows:

"This will provide an excellent opportunity for evangelical churches to lay a strong Biblical foundation for their program of the 1980's," said chairman Ralph W. Harris. "By announcing this celebration now, we are giving ample time for denominations and other organizations of an evangelical persuasion to plan emphases and projects which will honor the Word of God.

"The Commission has developed a series of outlines for the period which will have a stronger scriptural emphasis than at any time since the inception of the Outlines in 1948. It is our anticipation that evangelicals will see in this an opportunity for a unified effort to honor the Bible," Harris concluded.

The idea for the Year of the Bible emphasis first emerged in a meeting of the Curriculum Commission in May 1974, as the group began to plan for the 1978-1985 cycle. It arose out of a strong conviction that the members of evangelical Sunday Schools need to be trained in how to study the Bible for themselves. It was decided to devote the entire first year of the new cycle to this purpose. The outline format for the initial year is as follows:

Fall 1978 (September through November)

Survey of the Bible. This series will present the entire scope of Bible

history and will emphasize the great principles which were the basis of God's working during each era.
Winter 1978-79 (December through January)

Exploring the Bible. After a unit of four lessons dealing with the nature and attributes of the Author of the Book, the series will emphasize the trustworthiness of the Scriptures from a historical and scientific perspective. The final lessons of the quarter will deal with practical suggestions on how to study the Bible, giving information on helps available, how to use them, and various study methods.

Spring 1979 (March through May)
Great Truths of the Bible. This series will cover the great Biblical doctrines such as sin, salvation and holiness, and also deal with the truths expressed in such great words as grace, peace and providence.

Summer 1979 (June through August)
The Bible and Today's Issues. Commission members believe that because of the foundation laid in the preceding 9 months, students will be prepared to examine the issues facing modern society. What does the Bible say about materialism? about death? about suffering? hunger? the occult? the family?

The Commission's consensus is that people in evangelical churches which follow a course of study like this will find themselves prepared to meet the challenges and the crises of the 1980's.

The Evangelical Curriculum Commission urges that Churches not restrict the Year of the Bible plan to the Sunday school study sessions. Organizations and congregations can plan all-church activities. Some of them are:

Bible Reading. Individuals should be encouraged to read the Bible through during this year. Or the year of 1979 could be used for this project. Goals could be set for individuals or congregations.

Bible Memorization. Portions of Scripture might be suggested for each quarter or each month.

Bible Reading Marathon. A public reading of the entire Bible. It takes about 70 hours.

Copying the Bible. The Bible could be copied by hand, the entire Book or selected portions. This could be done by organizations, denominations or individual churches.

Churches could set a goal of placing a copy of the Scriptures in every Bibleless home in their communities.

There are a multitude of possibilities, limited only by the creativity of sponsors. Every organization and church should establish Bible committees at the earliest possible time to begin laying plans now for the Year of the Bible.

The Evangelical Curriculum Commission is making "Year of the Bible" outlines available to publishing houses and organizations, so lesson materials and books can be prepared. For information write to the secretary of the Commission:

Mrs. Aaron Wilson
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Joplin, MO 64801



MEMORIAL GIFT PLAN

For several years, friends have been sending Memorial Gifts to the College, in memory of loved ones or friends who have gone "to be with the Lord."

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ALPHA and OMEGA GRADUATION—AN ENDING AND A BEGINNING

Graduation is more than a drab black gown and a funny square hat with a tassel. Those are the accoutrements of the academic life. Together with a wonderfully embossed and inscribed scroll to proudly display on a wall.

For Ontario Bible College graduates, this wonderful event is more than those material items. More than scholarships, prizes, cum laude, and honour societies. More than four or five years of study, of dialogue with spiritual faculty members and community life with peers of like precious faith.

O.B.C. Graduation is the end of only one phase of Christian experience and training. It is the beginning of another.

Every graduation exercise is a service of dedication, of Christian witness and of spiritual power. From the moment the doors of Varsity Arena open until the last hugs and kisses have been given, and tears shed, a sports arena becomes a cathedral, a place of worship, a spiritual experience.

The student body (all 450 of them) process solemnly to "Come Christians Join to Sing," and then sing the words as graduates and faculty, gowned and capped, move to their special platform positions.

Students sing. And how they sing, as Director Warren Adams (for whom this graduation is number 14 and the last) leads them spiritedly and delightfully.

They continue to sing throughout



Kevin Fleetwood, student council president gives his testimony at graduation.

the program, some of the great classics of the church, "Immortal, Invisible," "I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked," and a beautiful rendition of 2 Chronicles 7:14 "If My people which are called by My Name, shall humble themselves and pray, and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven, forgive their sins and heal their land."

Who will forget their "Anthem of Dedication", incorporating in it some of the great lyrics of commitment that the Church has sung for years? On this night the words have new meaning.

Four students (two at Baccalaureate, two at Graduation) speak for their peers as they share the alpha and omega of their own walk with God.

Kevin Fleetwood (Student Council President) thought of himself as an awkward, shy "ugly duckling" until the Lord, the Master Potter, began to shape him into a vessel (to change the metaphor) meet for the Master's use.

And Linda Shields told how a closer walk with the Lord gave her a sense of fulfillment, of purpose, as through a quiet time, classes and chapels, God worked at perfecting that which concerned her.

Margaret Mikelait, surely the busiest student (student-teacher, pianist, speaker, prize winner) shared her ambitions to use her music gifts for the Lord. And how He led her to O.B.C. to use those gifts so completely and wonderfully.



When Claude Loney, a balding, older and already "full-time" Christian worker spoke, he did so from a slightly different level. He had already served the Lord in Latin America and has been deeply involved in Literature Crusades. But he felt, as most of us do, the need to upgrade skills and to increase in understanding of the Scriptures. He spoke of the practical preparation too, and of praying and fellowshiping with others.

Claude closed with these words:

"I came then, to Ontario Bible College, to become better equipped to serve the Lord. My desire is to 'serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear.' I am confident that I am better prepared to work for Him. I have not arrived, but I have made tremendous progress. I sincerely hope that my education in Him and of Him never ceases down here. May we never stop learning of Him and may we never stop serving Him wherever it may be—in Canada, in the United States, or around the world."

When all 92 graduates had received



Margaret Mikelait spoke at the Baccalaureate Service.



Linda Shields sharing her testimony at graduation.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS GIVEN AT GRADUATION 1977

SCHOLARSHIPS:

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Several scholarships are awarded annually to students who are entering their final year. The scholarships are awarded on the basis of excellent academic achievement, evidence of approved Christian character, and significant contribution to college life.

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Beverly Hooper
Patricia Hugli

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Rod Martin
John Scorgie

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J. B. Rhodes Memorial Award in Theological Studies—**Stewart Brown**

Percy H. Harris Memorial Award in Pastoral Studies—**Kevin Fleetwood**

William R. Quinn Award in Missions—**Tina Kort**

Lester Lankin Memorial Award in Christian Education—**Linda Shields**

Joseph C. Macaulay Award in Music—**Margaret Mikelait**

Jean C. Scott Memorial Award in General Arts—**Brian McKenzie**

BURSARIES FOR GRADUATING STUDENTS (\$300.00 each)

The Arthur Alloway Missionary Bursary—Given to a student or students who have expressed intention of commitment to being full-time professional missionaries and will use the bursaries to further this commitment. This year the \$300.00 is divided between two students—**Marilyn Batten**

—**Diane Richardson**

The Arthur Alloway Bursary for Advanced Studies—Awarded to a student entering an educational institution for advanced studies, and who is planning on entering the Christian ministry—**Kevin Fleetwood**

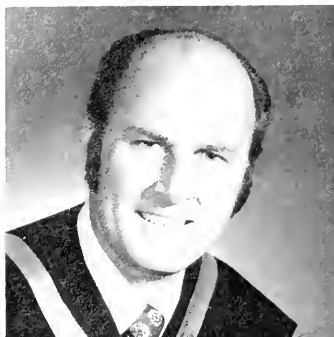
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Claude Loney gave his testimony at the Baccalaureate Service.

diplomas and certificates; and after the various degrees had been conferred on them, they stood close-ranked in front of the platform before the thousands of people who had gathered for this great event. With heads bowed, they heard Dr. S. L. Boehmer, the Chancellor, pray for them, dedicate them to the service of Christ, and commend them to the ministry of the Holy Spirit as they go out to declare the whole counsel of God. It was a great ending and a great beginning, an alpha and an omega.

And we remember that of Jesus it is written, "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end." No wonder the Class of '77 chose as their motto: CHRIST OUR VISION. For it is in Christ that life and service find their highest peak and most complete fulfillment. Now it is "pressing toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."



Mark Cassidy and Anita Wideman (now married), share a few moments before their big evening.

The Emma Heffer Memorial Award for Scripture Reading—Awarded to the non-graduating student who wins the Scripture Reading Competition. (Pair of O.B.C. Bookends)—*Bruce Cook*

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It's a family affair! Mr. & Mrs. G. Shields congratulate son Dan, and his wife Linda.



Galvin Dadian, from Armenia, completes his long course at O.B.C.



Music Scholarship winner Lloyd Bell congratulated by President Adrian.



Kim Tee of Malaysia, congratulated by Chancellor S. L. Boehmer.

GOODBYE! GOD BLESS YOU!

Changes are inevitable, but we always feel sad in reporting faculty and staff changes. Working closely together as we do, the ties of love, affection and mutual concern grow tighter and tighter.

Then the Lord steps in and cuts some of the ties. So we must let our dear colleagues go, but with natural regret.

Among changes for the coming year are the following:



Warren Adams

For 15 years **MR. WARREN ADAMS** has made O.B.C. to sing. This gifted and dedicated man has headed up and developed the Music Department until today it is one of the finest to be found in a Bible College. For some very personal reasons and under the leading of the Lord, Mr. Adams will return to the States with his family, where we know the Lord will continue to use him.

Thank you, Warren, not only for showing us "how" to sing, but "why." We will follow you with prayer and pride.



Helen Adams

Going with her husband is **MRS. HELEN ADAMS**, who has also shared in the O.B.C. ministry. Teaching Eng-

lish, a gifted, fluent speaker, a fine writer and a godly mother, Helen has made a niche for herself in many hearts. Au revoir, and God bless you.



Mary Lou Stam

MRS. MARY LOU STAM came to us from missionary service in Africa, where with her husband Rev. Peter Stam, she served faithfully. When he was appointed Canadian Director for the Africa Inland Mission and came to Toronto, Mary Lou became Dean of Women at O.B.C. She has fulfilled well, her role in the College community life since 1970.

With her husband transferred to the U.S. office of A.I.M., Mary Lou and our love go that way too. Thank you for service good and true.



Miss J. Colquhoun being "hooded" by Mr. R. Duez. Mr. C. Tipp assisting.

MISS JACQUELINE COLQUHOUN is coming for one year to serve as Associate in the Community Life Department, and to pick up some of Mrs. Stam's work. She plans on missionary service after this interim year.

Going for a year's sabbatical to take graduate studies in Missions is **REV. CHARLES A. TIPP**. Mr. Tipp is Director of Christian Service and teaches in the Missions Dept. But he will return after a year of mind and soul enrichment.

Some internal changes are also taking place.



Charles A. Tipp

DR. DONALD A. LEGGETT assumes the office of Acting Chairman of the Bible Department, relieving Rev. E. L. Simmonds who recently suffered the loss of his wife.

MR. GLENN WYPER, who has been teaching part time for several years, will assume a full time teaching load in the Bible Dept.

MR. BERT POLMAN will be Acting Chairman of the Music Dept. for the coming year.

Within our Staff, some changes will also take place. Regretfully, we do not have pictures of them yet.

MRS. CONNIE SHEPHEARD came to us Consuelo Sanchez about 7 years ago, fresh from her homeland in South America. Married to Jim Shephard, she has served the General Office well. Now family responsibilities call her away. Thank you, Connie, for a job well done.

MRS. BETTY PHILLIPS has been cashier in the Accounting Office for 7 years, and now leaves to care for home responsibilities. Quiet, efficient and dedicated, we'll miss Betty.

MISS BRENDA HEADRICK came to us after her graduation in '76 to work for a year as Faculty secretary. Now she leaves to marry another grad, Mark Bronson, and begin home responsibilities.

MRS. MARY WINBORN (Mary Szczerbiak '75) will become secretary to the newly appointed Academic Dean, Mr. R. Duez. Mary has been working as Library assistant since her graduation.

And **MISS PEGGY AMY** will become secretary to the Director of Admissions. Both Peggy and Mary are products of the College. It is good to have them here.

These changes, the comings and goings of faculty and staff are of interest to our alumni and friends, and are vital to the ongoing of God's work here. Let's pray for all of them.

A COLUMN OF **TRIVIA**

WHERE IS CHRISTIAN FRIENDSHIP?

Not in church evidently! According to a three-year survey by a famed singer of a few years ago John Charles Thomas, the question, "Why do you attend church?" was answered by a majority as "because it is the thing to do." Less than 1% said anything about worshipping.

Accompanying this peculiar response to "Why church?" is an equally confusing Christian conundrum about the lack of courtesy and friendship in churches.

After visiting 195 churches recently (as a worshipper, not a singer), Thomas said he was spoken to in only one by someone other than an official (doubtless the pastor). That one non-official, "friendly Christian greeting" was "to ask me to move my feet!"

When did you even appear friendly at church? From the pulpit, the announced greeting to visitors, and "please fill in the visitor's card in the rack so that we have a record of your visit" is meaningless twaddle if there is no warmth, no greeting, no courtesy on the personal level.

ARE WE REVERENT IN GOD'S HOUSE?

The new, young couple had attended our services a few times. We called on them and invited them to come again. They didn't. On our second call the young man said, "May I be frank? We liked the gospel you preached, but we were disturbed over the irreverence of your people. Our early training has taught us that the church is the house of God—a sacred place."

Must we visit loudly in the foyer, and converse freely in the pew? Is the sanctuary a place to exuberantly greet one's friends? Must our children run in and out, sit with their friends, and disturb with play? Are adults worshipping if they gaze about during prayer, and read the Sunday-school paper while the minister speaks?

Next Sunday let us enter the sanctuary in silence and prayer, remem-



A Summer Chapel, that grew from a small cottage Sunday school to a full service.

bering, "The Lord is in His holy temple. Let all the earth keep silence before Him."

Maybe then our young couple will return!

UGH! THIS IS RESPECTFUL?

In continuing to pamper the laziness and indifference of twentieth century man, a "drive-in" funeral home is now the thing.

For people who "do not have time to dress formally for a funeral," but who want to show their condolence and sympathy, the deceased lies behind a 7 x 5 foot window. The respectful (?) drive by the window "without leaving their cars."

Wave to the corpse? Head off for hamburger or pizza and talk of the deceased?

There is much in modern funeral services that is unworthy of the Christian who has a "blessed hope," but this new idea is the height of disrespect, for both the deceased and the bereaved. Can the church not show "a better way"?

SUDDENLY IT'S SUMMER

Canadians take their holidays seriously. And so they should, since a Canadian fall, winter and spring without a break can drain physical and mental resources.

More than most people of the world, we move out to cottages, camps, conferences for anywhere from one week to two months. The cottage exodus is the most evident one. What does it mean?

A break from school, work, house-keeping and worship? Yes—and worship. For many cottagers eliminate worship from their holidays. Little

wonder that young people, urged to attend various church activities during the year, suddenly find a poor example from adults.

Church is too far from the cottage? Have you thought of making your cottage a Chapel for neighbouring holidayers?

Let me illustrate. On Chandos Lake (near Bancroft) a cottage was opened on Sunday for children to attend Sunday School (one class). Since many came by boat, parents arrived too. Soon more adults than children turned up.

They moved outside on to some benches, purchased a pump organ and built some extra docks.

Soon 150-300 people were gathering for one of the most inspirational times of the summer—Sunday morning.

Later benches (planks and cement blocks) were built on the edge of the lake. A public address system and electric organ purchased. And 10 Sundays a year see a fruitful ministry in progress.

It takes time—someone has to be in charge and speak. It takes energy and funds, but all have been wonderfully supplied.

Don't waste your summer. Don't neglect neighbours and holidaymakers. Don't fail God just to have a holiday for yourself. Make it a "holy day" for Him!

"NO PLACE FOR RELIGIOUS PROPAGANDA"?

In the arena of education there is a battle raging between the gladiators of evolutionary teaching and the battlers for the Biblical creation concept.

Some school districts are devising means to present both items in the

teaching of biology.

In Dallas, Texas, Dr. Emmett Conrad, a surgeon, is quoted as saying: "There is no place in our textbooks for religious propaganda. The theory of evolution has no religious background at all."

Not only is the eminent surgeon wrong in his conclusion regarding evolution (religion does not have to be pro God; it can be atheistic), but he does disservice to the search for truth which is the basis for all science and the heart of all disciplines. According to his premise, science must bow to hypothesis, theory and unsubstantiated data (and those are all that evolution can base its teaching on) while truth is brushed aside.

True scientists acknowledge that creation could not "just happen," but *a priori*, there must be a first cause or power. The Bible says "God created the heavens and the earth."

If truth is to be ignored, then the whole educational process breaks down—no true science, no ethics, no psychiatry or psychology, none of the arts. We become "of all men, most miserable."

Actually there is no place for non-religious, atheistic (i.e. evolutionary) concepts in the arena of life.

Let the Bible believer, the Bible creationist, the devout Christian continue to do battle for the minds and souls of men.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Some years ago, Jim Reese of the Campbell-Reese Evangelistic Association wrote letters to a son and daughter that were so beautiful that we reprinted them in the Recorder.

He also wrote the hauntingly emotional account "Retarded and Beautiful" regarding a personal, family crisis. The latter has been reprinted many times.

Now, three years later, Jim writes to his 16-year-old son Paul. Parents and children alike will appreciate a letter from father to son.

Dear Paul:

Happy Sixteenth Birthday!

And congratulations on becoming

old enough to drive! Driving a car is like living a life—it's great as long as you obey the rules. Thus I recommend to you two books: for driving, the Driver's Handbook; and for living, The Bible.

Now's the time to study the rules. Ignorance of the law doesn't excuse you from the law. Someday, maybe, you'll have to appear in court to answer for how you drove. Someday, surely, you'll appear before Christ's judgment seat to answer for how you lived. May you have no regrets.

A great, unknown, but wonderful road lies before you. It's a road no one has travelled before, but, praise the Lord, you don't have to travel it alone. Jesus has promised, "I am with you always." Trust Him fully to guide you in every decision. Let Christ always sit in the driver's seat of your life. Let Him control the accelerator, the brakes and the steering. He'll chauffeur you through some great country, and you'll never end in a ditch!

Enjoy fully the path He's planned for you. Fuel is expensive and time is a non-renewable resource, so don't let your vehicle or your life wander aimlessly. Seek to be goal-oriented like the Apostle Paul who said, "I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." There are many forks in the road that call for decision. When in doubt remember this road sign, "Keep to the right."

Live the Golden Rule of the road, "Drive unto others as you would have them drive unto you." You are totally responsible for how your vehicle affects others. The safety of your passengers rests fully on your shoulders. No one drives unto himself, and no one lives unto himself. May no one, including those most dear to you, ever be able to point a finger at your driving or your living and say, "You failed me."

On my sixteenth birthday I made a covenant with my mind and my body to keep myself 'tuned up' for the Lord. I've never been sorry for that vow. Let me challenge you to make that same commitment today and to renew it daily for the rest of your life. It will keep you from heartache and

wreckage and will give you a rewarding and fulfilling life. May both you and I so live that at the end of the road we will be able to look back and say, "Jesus led me all the way!"

Have a wonderful trip!

Love always,

Dad

SENIOR CITIZENS: PLANNING A HOLIDAY? CHECK YOUR INSURANCE

At this time of year when many Seniors are making plans for holidays it is important that you make sure that your medical expenses will be taken care of should you become hospitalized when away from home.

First, are you absolutely sure you are registered with the Ontario Hospital Insurance Plan? Many Seniors are under the impression it is automatic when they receive their first Old Age Security cheque. It is not. If you have not done so, register immediately by writing OHIP, Box 1744, Postal Station R, Toronto, M4G 2T3.

Having done that you can travel in Canada without worries. Each Canadian province recognizes the other's rates.

In many parts of the United States, particularly Florida where many Canadians winter, hospitals and doctors are aware of OHIP and often phone Toronto to be sure the patient is registered. However most U.S. hospital rates are very high and cost of services such as operating room, blood, drugs and x-ray are extra.

All Canadians travelling outside Canada are advised to take out a private short term health insurance policy like the Ontario Blue Cross plan.

Such a policy will pay the difference between the OHIP rate and what a non-Canadian hospital or doctor might charge you, which could be considerable.

Coverage is available for 14, 21, 28, 40, 60 and 120 days. There is no age limit and no medical examination is required.

For further information on Health Plan While Outside Canada write Ontario Blue Cross, 150 Ferrand Drive, Don Mills, Ont., M3C 1H6.

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NO MISSIONS POLICY IN MOST CHURCHES

PASADENA, California (ACMC)—According to a newly-formed lay movement designed to help local churches with their missionary outreach, 98 percent of all USA congregations do not have a written missions policy, and 85 percent do not have a missions committee. The same is most likely true of Canadian Churches too. A sad commentary on our church life and Christian commitment.

To help correct the situation, the Association of Church Missions Committees offers many practical helps. One of them is a policy handbook which defines key issues faced by the local church, and offers guidelines for handling those issues and formulating comprehensive mission policies.

Another is a bimonthly forum in print, which discusses pertinent issues and sends a compendium of reader responses and solutions to participating churches.

ACMC has been aided in its studies by Sudan Interior Mission's William Crouch.

ACMC was formed in 1974 as a coordinating and servicing agency "to assist church missions committees to fulfill their responsibilities." It is open to membership by any church that is "committed to the mandate of world evangelization, regardless of denominational affiliation."

Further information from ACMC, 1021 East Walnut Street, Suite 202, Pasadena, CA 91106.



An Important Trio
(L-R) Dr. S. L. Boehmer, Chancellor; Dr. V. Adrian, President; Mr. R. McClintock, Honorary Chairman. Thank God for Men of God.

NEW CHAIRMAN APPOINTED

The OBC/OTS Board of Governors is comprised of spiritual Christian men, drawn by God from business and church life, to serve Him at the College.

For the past 7-1/2 years, Mr. Robert McClintock has served as Chairman of the Board, helping to guide the College through some of the most critical stages of its 82 year history.

This year he asked to be relieved of his duties, while still remaining on the Board. In gratitude for long and faithful service, Mr. McClintock was unanimously appointed Honorary Chairman



L. Claude Simmonds

of the Board, an office created especially for him.

L. Claude Simmonds

In his place, the Board appointed Mr. L. Claude Simmonds, longtime Board member, vice chairman and very active Christian businessman, to be successor to Mr. McClintock.

Mr. Simmonds (no relation to Prof. E. L. Simmonds) is a member of Immanuel Baptist Church, Toronto. He holds or has held official and administrative office with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship; Regions Beyond Missionary Union; Scripture Union; Yonge St. Mission; Pioneer Camps; as well as Deacon and Teacher in his church.

No one knows how he attends to his "other" business as President of A. C. Simmonds & Sons Ltd., an electronics firm of high reputation. As a corollary to his business, he is currently Vice Chairman of International Communications Conference for 1978, and holds office and membership in two professional organizations.

Of late he has been sharing responsibility on an Ad Hoc Committee to invite Billy Graham back to Toronto in 1978.

A busy man doing big jobs for God and the community, OBC/OTS are fortunate in having the services of such a godly, consecrated man. Pray for Mr. Simmonds, his wife Betty and family of seven children.

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Know the Symptoms of a Possible Heart Attack.

- *Prolonged heavy pressure or squeezing pain in the centre of the chest.
 - *Pain spreading to shoulder, arm, neck or jaw.
 - *Pain and discomfort accompanied by sweating, nausea, vomiting or shortness of breath.
- Symptoms may subside and return again.
Be prepared to act in case of emergency.
Get medical help immediately.

It's Your Choice!

- *Take a brisk walk every day.
- *Reduce the intake of animal fats.
- *Be sure you have a work-break in the middle of a busy day. And not necessarily to drink coffee.
- *Get that weight down.
- *Have regular medical check ups.
- *Above all, remember your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit. Don't abuse it.
- *Learn the secret of "In quietness and confidence shall be thy strength."

THE USE OF WORDS

We received some interesting comments about The Trivia item "What Is a 'Word' of Prayer?". Evidently that phrase has bothered a lot of people. Plus other words, phrases and expressions that have become evangelical jargon but are meaningless to the uninitiated.

These are 'code' words used so often and understood by so few. We seem to move in a 'linguistic underworld' of 'in' words, an unintelligible language that has little place in pulpit, literature or speech.

Paul tells us that his "speech was not with enticing words of man's wisdom but in demonstration of the Spirit and power." And "we use great plainness of speech." (I Cor. 2:4; II Cor. 3:12). Good idea, if we want to be good communicators.

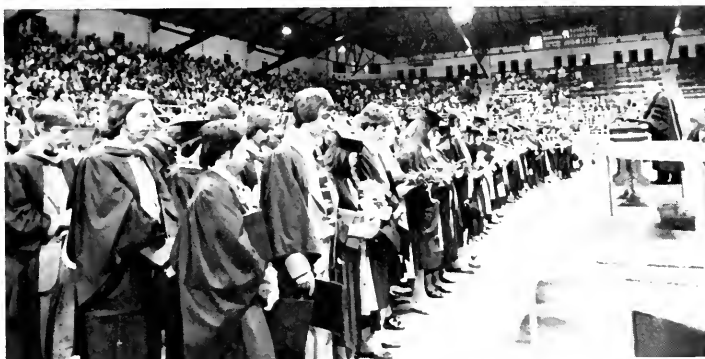
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'77 Graduating Class stand in dedication and prayer as Chancellor Boehmer leads them in their prayer of Commitment.

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ALUMNI HALL?

When the new campus was settled, the largest room was designated ALUMNI HALL to honour our large Alumni Association.

ALUMNI HALL doubles as a gymnasium and auditorium (it can seat about 700). Right now, when used as an auditorium, everyone sits on the floor. We need folding or stacking chairs to make the best use of our ALUMNI HALL. The chairs cost about \$10.00 each. Why not buy a couple of chairs (through the College of course) and have them available when you visit? And have them used for the many functions when only the ALUMNI HALL will do. Help us to seat everyone properly.

So here's another project for us all to share in.

CHAIRS FOR ALUMNI HALL—\$10.00 EACH.



Florida meeting: (standing L. to R.) Sue Worling, George Worling '33, Dixon Gordon '32 and Helen Gordon '33.



Alumni Secretary Ione Essery points to some of the far flung places where Alumni serve. The flag covered map is on display in the Alumni Office. The sun never sets on the O.B.C. Alumni.



Are You Here? The crowded halls of Spadina Rd. in 1937 may show you as you were.

ANOTHER ALUMNUS ANNIVERSARY

Rev. Leonard F. O'Neil graduated from O.B.C. in 1942. That was 35 years ago. For 25 of those years he has been pastor of the First Baptist Church, Leamington, Ont.

A special anniversary day was held to honour the man and commemorate the event. Leaders of the community, clergy and friends gathered for the occasion. The highlight of the day was when people were able to express their love and appreciation for Mr. O'Neil, as they shared what God had done for them through His servant.

Our grads not only have good staying power, but faithful ministry power as well. Happy Anniversary. May the next 25 years be as fruitful and blessed too!

ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Every year the Alumni Association grants scholarships to deserving students who meet rigid spiritual and academic requirements.

Almost \$2000 annually is presented on Graduation night. The fund is very low at present. Alumni are encouraged to contribute to this very worthwhile fund with gifts, large or small. If all Alumni gave \$2 per year to the Scholarship Fund, we would fulfill our obligations. Make a good investment!

Invest in youth! Invest in Alumni! Send gifts to Alumni Office.

I.E.

PRaise THE LORD ... IN MUSIC

"I will praise You with music, telling of Your faithfulness to all Your promises." Ps. 71:22

What a life verse for any young student of music to choose! I don't know whether Betty Percy chose this as her verse when at the early age of 12 years, she completed her A.T.C.M. degree and began a life of ministry in music. But it has certainly been the theme verse of a life that has fulfilled it well, both in Canada and overseas.

For over a quarter of a century, Mrs. Percy represented O.B.C. on the piano. Graduations, choir tours and other College functions were enhanced by her musical expertise and evident dedication of heart.

And not only did she personally praise God in music, but several generations of students remember with gratitude lessons in piano—and lessons in "praiseful living" taught by this choice servant of God.

Several years ago, God chose to bring Betty's public ministry to a close, through cancer. But through the pain and struggle of these recent years, an even deeper personal ministry has



Mr. Warren Adams makes a farewell presentation to Mrs. Betty Percy.

been carried on, as those she contacts see a life of praise and trust lived out in dark circumstances indeed.

On March 14, faculty and staff gathered at the opening of our new Faculty-Staff lounge, to express our love and appreciation for this dear friend and her ministry among us. The O.B.C. era of Betty's life has ended, but not her ministry, and not her concern for the College either.

Through the last months of illness, Betty has found time and strength to record on cassette tape some of her best loved piano arrangements. Her unique gift for combining the great secular classics with great hymns of our Christian faith, is what all of us best remember and love. And now she has again made this available to us.

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Marlene Williams



HALF A CENTURY IN ONE CHURCH

Alumnus Rev. Melchie Henry '27, has set some kind of a record by completing 50 years at Medina Baptist Church on the Six Nations Indian Reservation near Brantford. The O.B.C. Alumni join all his friends in congratulating Melchie, and in prayer for a continued long and fruitful ministry.



Mrs. Mary Lighthall

"A SWEET SINGER IN ISRAEL"

Mary Hallman graduated from O.B.C. in 1913 and helped the College become known as "The Singing College."

Now Mrs. Mary Lighthall, and living in Montreal, our Alumna was a beautiful contralto singer as well as a music teacher. After graduation, she travelled around the world twice singing the Lord's praises.

At home she served in the United Church as soloist and in the Missionary Dept. since she was always interested in the Lord's work. One organization, "The King's Daughters and Sons", an international organization for development of Christian activities among all nations, elected her president, and then an honorary life member.

With one hand crippled by a stroke, she has done wall hangings so beautifully woven that the Montreal Star has featured her.

Mrs. Lighthall, now dependent on a wheel chair, is still interested in and prays for O.B.C. And that's for over 60 years.

God bless you, Mary.



O.B.C. Grads Marv Reimer '76, Audrey Reimer '77, Neale Unruh '77, and Randy Weber '76 (not shown) have formed *The Inheritance music group* to serve with Barry Moore and his *Crusade Evangelism, Inc.*

ON THE HOME FRONT

*MR. BYRON AINSWORTH, B.R.E. '77, is Minister of Christian Education and Youth at Garside Gospel Church in Hamilton, Ont.

*REV. & MRS. DAN BURKHOLDER (MARGARET CLARKE '72-'73) commenced their ministry at Parkview Baptist Church, Halifax, N.S. in May.

*MR. GARY CARTER, B. Th. '70, commenced his service as Minister of Christian Education and Youth at Faith Baptist Church, St. Thomas, Ont. in March.

*REV. GLENN DUNCAN, B. Th. '74, was ordained on January 20 in Bethel Church, Kingston, Ont.

*MR. LARRY FEHR, B. Th. '77, commenced his ministry as Director of Christian Education at the Fellowship Baptist Church in Edmonton, Alta. in June.

*MISS DOREEN LANGMAN, B.R.E. '77, commenced working as secretary in the Toronto office of Gospel Recordings of Canada in May.

*REV. ANDRE LEROUX, B. Th. '71, was ordained on May 22, at St. Margaret's-In-The Pines Anglican Church, Scarborough, Ont.

*REV. RAYMOND MCCREADY, B.R.E. '70, was ordained at Temple Baptist Church, Sarnia, Ont. on May 17.

*REV. & MRS. R. KENNETH MILLER (FRANCES QUINNELL '51) commenced their ministry at Faith Baptist Church, Sarnia, Ont. in January.

*REV. JAMES PAUL, B. Th. '75, was ordained on December, 1976 at All Nations Church in Sudbury, Ont.

*MR. & MRS. DON PICKEL, B. Th. '68, (CAROL FISHER '65-'68) appointed Eastern Canada Representative for G.M.U. as of April 1.

*MR. & MRS. MARVIN REIMER, B.S.M. '76, (AUDREY, B.R.E. '77), MR. & MRS. RANDY WEBER, B.S.M. '76 (GWEN BEILBY '74-'75) and MR. NEALE UNRUH, B.R.E. '77 commenced their musical ministry "Inheritance" with Crusade Evangelism International, London, Ont. in June.

*REV. WALLY STEPHENSON, B. Th. '62, commenced his ministry at Emmanuel Baptist Church in Oshawa, Ont. on February 14.

*MRS. LOIS STEWART, B.R.E. '67, received the B.A. degree from Concordia University (Sir George Williams Campus) Montreal, Que. on June 13, 1976.

*REV. ROBERT THOMAS, B.R.E. '75, was ordained as Minister of Youth at Grace Associated Gospel Church, Kingston, Ont. on January 19.
 *REV. WILLIAM VIRGIN, B. Th. '74, was ordained at Calvary Baptist Church, Emo, Ont. on April 29.
 *MISS COLLEEN WOLFE, B. Th. '65, commenced her ministry as a Christian worker at Ossington Avenue Baptist Church, Toronto, (W.B.M.S.) on January 1.

ON FURLOUGH

*MISS ANNE ALDRIDGE '65-'66 (O.M.F.) to England from Thailand in March.
 *MISS OLIVE BRITTAIN, B.R.E. '53, from India (B.M.M.) in May.
 *MISS PAT BURN, B.R.E. '69, (S.I.M.) from Niamey, Niger Republic, W. Africa in June on a mini furlough.
 *MR. & MRS. KEITH DONALD, B. Th. '60, (ANNE CAMPBELL '60) from Zambia (A.E.F.) in June.
 *DR. & MRS. KENNETH DRESSER '57-'58 (T.E.A.M.) from Irian Jaya, Indonesia in February.
 *MR. & MRS. HAROLD HIDE '48 (S.I.M.) from Kagoro Bible College, Nigeria, W.A. on a mini furlough in June.
 *REV. & MRS. IVOR GREENSLADE, B.Th. '52, (RUTH PHILLIPS '51) from Peru, S.A. (A.B.W.E.) in May.
 *MISS ANN HOOK, B.Th. '70, (W.B.T.) from Ivory Coast, W. Africa in May for 4 months.
 *REV. & MRS. DAVID JAMIESON, B.R.E. '73, (SHERRY LEE, B.R.E. '71) from Jamaica, W.I. (B.M.M.) in March.
 *MR. & MRS. EDWIN JONES '42-'43 (S.I.M.) from Ethiopia in June.
 *MISS SUSAN McLEOD, B.R.E. '74, (S.I.M.) from Nigeria on a medical furlough in March.
 *MISS BARBARA NEIDRAUER '58 (U.C. OF CANADA) from Zambia in December 1976.
 *MISS DORIS NESBITT '65 (S.I.M.) from Niamey, Africa in June for 3 months.
 *MISS RUTH PATTERSON '48 from Bangkok, Thailand (C.&M.A.) in May.
 *REV. & MRS. NEIL REMPEL, B.Th. '63, (CAROLYN SMITH, B.R.E. '64) from Austria (G.E.M.) in June.
 *DR. OLIVE SHELL '44 (W.B.T.) from Peru, S.A. in June for 3 months.
 *MR. & MRS. BRUCE SIMPSON (PRISCILLA '64-'65) from Colombia, S.A. in May on a 3 months furlough.

*MR. & MRS. WARNER SPYKER '64 (B.C.U.) from Holland in January on a medical furlough.
 *REV. & MRS. ARTHUR CAVEY, B.Th. '51, (JOYCE BROWN '49) from Brazil, S.A. A.B.W.E. in June until December.

TO THE FIELD

*MISS DONNA ARNER, B.R.E. '70, (A.I.M.) to Zaire, E. Africa on April 5.
 *REV. & MRS. BILL BUIKEMA, B.R.E. '69, (MERILYN '67) to Sao Paulo, Brazil, S.A. (C.B.O.M.B.) on February 25.
 *MR. & MRS. GERALD BROCK, B.Th. '62, (W.B.T.) Faith Academy, Philippines in June.
 *MR. & MRS. DEAN BURNS (EVELYN WALLACE '49) to Bolivia, S.A. (G.M.U.) on March 29.
 *MISS BEVERLEY CLARK, B.R.E. '77, to Nigeria, W. Africa in June (S.I.M.).
 *MR. & MRS. PAUL ESTABROOKS, B.Th. '66, (DIANNE PALMER, B.R.E. '63) to the Philippines (F.E.B.C.) in June.
 *REV. & MRS. KOOS FIETJE, B.R.E. '72, (COLLEEN '70-'71) to Thailand, (O.M.F.) in June.
 *MR. & MRS. DAVID GAST, B.S.M. '68, (SHARON WILSON '67) to Quito, Ecuador, (W.R.M.F.) on April 12.
 *MISS JOYCE HATCH '53 (A.B.W.E.) to Brazil, S.A. in February.
 *MISS ANNEMARIE HATTENHAUER, B.R.E. '73 (S.I.M.) to Nigeria, W. Africa in June.
 *MR. & MRS. ROY HIRONS, B.Th. '71, (S.I.M.) to Nigeria, W. Africa on June 6.
 *MR. & MRS. CECIL HODGSON (MARGARET ENGLISH '45) to Liberia, W. Africa (W.E.C.) in May.
 *MISS KAREN KEHOE, B.R.E. '63, to Paris, France, (TEEN CHALLENGE) in February.
 *MISS BETTY LAING '38 (O.M.F.) to Singapore in May.
 *MR. & MRS. IAN McGRIGG '69-'70 (B.W.T.) to the Philippines in April.
 *REV. & MRS. JOHN TANGELDER (HELEN FEASBY '63) to Bacolod City, Philippines in June, (Christian Reformed Foreign Mission Board). Dr. Tangelder will be teaching at the Geneva Reformed Seminary.
 *MISS DORIS WISSLER, B.R.E. '71, (W.R.M.F.) to Quito, Ecuador, S.A. in June.

MARRIAGES

*MISS LYNNE ABBOTT '73-'74 to MR. WILLIAM HOUGHTON at Glad-

stone Baptist Church, Gladstone, Ont. on April 23.

*MISS MARILYN BATTEN, B.R.E. '77, to MR. EDWARD HODGES on June 11 at Downsview Baptist Church, Downsview, Ont. MISS DOREEN LANGMAN, B.R.E. '77 and MISS GENETIE TEGENU '80 were Bridesmaids. The Soloist was MISS ALMING BOUGHAN '75-'76.

*MR. MARK BRONSON, B.R.E. '76 to MISS BRENDA HEADRICK, B.R.E. '76, on May 27, at The Old Mill Chapel, Toronto. REV. R. C. DUEZ officiated. MR. JOHN STEVENETT, B.R.E. '73 was best man, MR. BYRON AINSWORTH, B.R.E. '77 and MR. KEN KUSH, B.R.E. '76, were ushers. MISS JACQUIE COLQUHOUN, B.R.E. '77 was Maid of Honor with MISS DORIS POTTS, B.R.E. '76 as Bridesmaid. MR. WARREN E. ADAMS was the Soloist and MRS. BETTY WEATHERBY (BETTY PLAXTON B.S.M. '76) the Organist.

*MISS MARY CASSEL, B.R.E. '76, to MR. JAKE WIENS at Bridlewood Brethren in Christ Church, Agincourt, Ont. on June 25. MISS RUTH FLORENCE '76 was a Bridesmaid.

*MISS CONNIE CLARKE '70-'71 to MR. DANIEL WAROUX on September 4, 1976 at the Methodist Church in Ales, S. France.

*MISS MYRNA DORSEY '71-'72 to MR. ROBERT GOWING '71-'72 on December 11, 1976 at King St. Baptist Church, Cambridge, Ont. MISS SHARON DYCK, B.R.E. '74 and MRS. D. REDFORD (NANCY DEVLIN '71-'72) were Bridesmaids. MRS. W. TEICHROEB (NANCY EBY, B.S.M. '69) was the organist and MR. PAUL ADAMS, B.Th. '75 was an Usher.

*MISS SANDY DUNHAM, B.R.E. '77, to MR. HOWIE METS on May 7 at Grace Memorial United Baptist Church, Fredericton, N.B. MR. BILL BARBER '77 was the Best Man and MISS MARIAN MOREHOUSE B.R.E. '73 was the Maid of Honor.

*MR. KEVIN FLEETWOOD, B.Th. '77 to MISS CARRIE WARREN '74-'75 at Milliken Baptist Church, Toronto on June 18. MISS MARCIA WRIGHT '78 was Maid of Honor and the Soloist. MR. BYRON AINSWORTH, B.R.E. '77 was the Best Man. Ushers were KEN KUSH, B.R.E. '76 and TIM DYCK, B.R.E. '76.

*MR. PAUL JOHNSTONE, B.Th. '77 to MISS FAYE MEIRETT at Devon Park Baptist Church, Fredericton, N.B. on June 18.

*MISS BETTY KNIGHT, B.R.E. '77, to MR. KURT WEAVER, B.Th. '76, at West Hamilton Gospel Church, Hamilton, Ont. on May 6. REV. BRIAN BRIDLE, B.Th. '62 officiated. MISS BETH MacDONALD, B.R.E. '77 was the Maid of Honor.

*MISS ANITA WIDEMAN, B.R.E. '77 to MR. MARK CASSIDY, B.Th. '77 on May 7 at Bridlewood Brethren-in-Christ Church, Agincourt, Ont. MR. BRUCE RUSSELL, '79 was the Best Man and MISS CHERYL WIDEMAN, '80 was the Maid of Honor. Bridesmaids were ANNETTE VERKUYL, '78 and MARTHA PUTNAM, B.R.E. '77. Ushers were MR. BRIAN MCKENZIE, B.Th. '77 and MR. TED BLENKHORNE, B.Th. '77. MISS DONNA CASSIDY, '79 was the Flautist, MISS CAROLYN FOSTER, B.S.M. '75, Organist and MISS BARABARA CASSIDY '76-'77 Candlelighter. REV. ELMER CASSIDY '53 presented the wedding message.

*MISS PAMELA MURRAY, B.Th. '77, to MR. MATTHEW SKINNER, B.Th. '77 on May 21, at Ontario Bible College, Willowdale. MISS JANICE BEURLING B.Th. '77 was a Bridesmaid, MR. ROBIN GOETTTL, B.Th. '77. MR. GERALD LOEWEN '73-'74 and MR. STAN MARTIN, '79 were Ushers. Music was provided by MISS JOAN EVANS, '78 and MISS MARCIA WRIGHT, '78.

*MISS JANE TARZWELL '73-'75 to MR. WADE PICKREN on May 28 at Faith Centre, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

*MR. GERALD WIDEMAN, B.Th. '77, to MISS GINETTE TARDIF on May 7 at L'Eglise Baptiste Church de Victoriaville, P.Q. MR. DAN MILTON, '78 was Master of Ceremonies at the Reception.

*MISS THERESA KLAVER '77 to MR. RONALD HUMPHRIES '74-'77 at Knox Presbyterian Church, Mitchell, Ont. on June 18. REV. RALPH HUMPHRIES '46 officiated. MISS FLORENCE KOOMAN '74-'75 was the Maid of Honor, and MISS ELSEBETH NEWCOMBE '75-'76 was a Bridesmaid. MISS HEATHER BAIN '78 was the Soloist.

BIRTHS

*To MR. & MRS. PAUL ADAMS, B.Th. '75, (CANDY HARRIS '72-'73) a son, Jonathan Paul on January 22 in Kitchener, Ont.

*To MR. & MRS. RON ANGER, B.R.E. '72, (BETH BARBER, B.R.E.

'72) a son, Matthew Edward, on March 18 in Burlington, Ont.

*To MR. & MRS. DOUGLAS BARNES, B.R.E. '72, a daughter, in Chapeau, Ont. on October 14, 1976.

*To MR. & MRS. GEORGE BELL (ANN PECK '72) a son, John Michael, on February 19 in Toronto.

*To MR. & MRS. ETIENNE BRACKE (ARLA SHAUF, B.R.E. '65,) a chosen daughter, Caroline, on December 23, 1976 in Belgium.

*To REV. & MRS. PAUL BUCKNAM '75 a daughter, Cheryl-Lynne Rebecca, on February 25 in Maui, Hawaii.

*To REV. & MRS. BILL BUIKEMA, B.R.E. '69 (MERILYN '67) a daughter, Christina Juanita, on February 10 in British Columbia.

*To MR. & MRS. GERALD BYRON, B.R.E. '72, (SHARON KENNEDY '72) a son, Kevin Gerald, on December 20, 1976 in London, Ont.

*To MR. & MRS. PAUL DOUGLAS '71-'72 (VALDA JEFFERS, B.R.E. '72) a son, Adam Thomas on February 23 in Toronto.

*To MR. & MRS. LLOYD DRURY, B.Th. '75, (MARJORIE PEARCE '70-'71) a son, Jonathan Edward, on February 18 in Mayerthorpe, Alta.

*To REV. & MRS. BILL HIMAN (ELIZABETH COCKBURN, B.R.E. '71) a daughter, Rachel, on January 5, in Gateway, Colorado, U.S.A.

*To MR. & MRS. GERRY HOORMAN (PAULINE DOERKSEN '71) a son, Terence Kent, on March 11 in Sudbury, Ont.

*To MR. & MRS. PETER INGLIS, B.R.E. '73, (RUTH PREST '73) a daughter, Mary Anne, on January 12 in Brantford, Ont.

*To MR. & MRS. JOE JESPERSON (CAROLYN OADES, B.R.E. '70) a son, Paul Thomas, on March 2 in Ft. McMurray, Alta.

*To MR. & MRS. JOHN KING '71 (LAURA LUTHER '67-'71) a daughter, Tamara Janette, on March 18 in Lakefield, Ont.

*To MR. & MRS. RAYMOND MILLER, B.R.E. '74, a son, Bruce Paul, on February 6 in Toronto.

*To MR. & MRS. SIGFRIDO ORTIZ (PHYLLIS BRUNTON, B.R.E. '70) a daughter, Erica Inez, on January 13 in Cochabamba, Bolivia, S.A.

*To REV. & MRS. BRIAN ROE (MARGARET KRAWEC '67-'68) a son, Shannon Ainsley Brandon, on March 9, in Willowdale.

*To MR. & MRS. BRUCE STAM,

B.R.E. '72, a daughter, Heather Ruth, on December 8, 1976 in Toronto.

*To MR. & MRS. DON THEOBALD, B.Th. '72, (MARLENE KERSHAW, B.R.E. '72) a son, David Nathanael, in Toronto on February 22.

*To REV. & MRS. ROBERT THOMAS, B.R.E. '75, a daughter, Rachel, on January 2 in Kingston, Ont.

*To MR. & MRS. NORMAN TRIMBLE '66-'68 a chosen son, James Norman, on February 8 in Milton, Ont.

*To MR. & MRS. DOUGLAS VIRGIN '69-'70 a daughter, Rachel Ann, on April 6 in Toronto.

*To MR. & MRS. CARL WHITEHEAD '71-'72 a son, Lincoln Dean, on February 18 in Papua, New Guinea.

*To MR. & MRS. RONALD WILLSON (BARBARA RAYMOND '70) a daughter, Elizabeth Anne Ruth, on March 2 in Winnipeg, Man.

DEATHS

*MR. FRED HARTWICK, husband of PEARL PEAT '27 in Ayr, Ont. in April.

*MRS. E. KEOWN (MAY COWLING, '27) in Toronto on April 21.

*MR. FRASER MCKENZIE, B.Th. '66, in Zambia, Africa as a result of a car accident on February 6.

*MISS BETTY MacNAUGHTON '50 in Toronto on February 21.

*MRS. WILLIAM MURRAY (ISABEL FLEMMING '53) in Calgary, Alta. on March 20.

*MISS HELEN PESNICK '34 in Toronto on February 10.

*MISS ELIZABETH SLEETH '23 in Kingston, Ont. on March 24.

*REV. GORDON H. SMITH '23 in Deland, Florida on February 13.

*MR. ROBERT SNYDER '59 in Hamilton, Ont. on February 3.

MRS. E. L. SIMMONDS

On March 10, 1977, Mrs. Phyllis Simmonds, wife of our longtime (23 years) teacher of Bible, Rev. Edward "Ted" L. Simmonds, went to be with the Lord.

After 15 months of prolonged illness, discomfort and suffering, Mrs. Simmonds succumbed to cancer. *

She had long been a "help-meet" and "help-mate" for our colleague, in both pastoral and educational work. We thank God for every remembrance of her.

Do pray for Mr. Simmonds and their only son Ted Jr.

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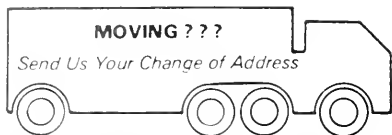
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